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Amendments To The Claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 16, 18-20, 22, 23, 24 and 25 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows.

1-2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said composition comprises sodium ~~chlorite hypochlorite~~ and an acidic component.

4. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said composition generates chlorine dioxide gas.

5. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said holder is a drawer, pivoting pocket, slot or tray.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) A unit as in Claim 21 wherein said indicator device provides said indicator signal in response to a predetermined time interval between openings of said access port.

8. (Previously Presented) A unit as in Claim 21 wherein said indicator signal is a light or an alarm activated upon passage of said time interval.

9. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21, said unit having a top and a front wherein said holder is in the top ~~[[of]]~~ or front of said unit.

10. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said container holds from about 50 g to about 500 g of said composition.

11. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said composition is a solid, a liquid or a combination thereof.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[22]]~~ 26 wherein said container is comprised of a nonwoven polyethylene or a nonwoven polytetrafluoroethylene.

14. (Currently Amended) The unit of Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said container is a sachet, ~~holder~~ bag or pouch.

15. (Currently Amended) A unit as in Claim ~~[[1]]~~ 21 wherein said access port is configured such

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that the contents within the interior of the unit, other than said container, may not be accessed therethrough.

16-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) A unit comprising an enclosed space not easily accessible for cleaning and deodorizing, the unit having an interior and an exterior, the unit comprising:

a container permeable to water or water vapor, holding a composition which generates an antimicrobially active gas;

an access port in the unit openable from the exterior of the unit to permit placement and replacement of the container;

a holder for said container, accessible through the access port, which retains the container within the interior of the unit at a location exposed to the ambient air within the interior; and

an indicator device activated upon each placement or replacement of said container.

22-25. (Canceled)

26. (New) A unit as in claim 21 wherein said container is comprised of a microporous nonwoven hydrophobic polymer sheet material.